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| Junji SUGAMOTO et al. |) Group Art Unit: 2891 |
| Application No. 10/706,090 |)) Examiner: Smith, Bradley) |
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| For: SEMICONDUCTOR WAFER TREATMENT METHOD, SEMICONDUCTOR WAFER INSPECTION METHOD, SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE DEVELOPMENT METHOD AND SEMICONDUCTOR WAFER TREATMENT APPARATUS |) Confirmation No. 7292)))))))) |

Mailstop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

In reply to the Office Action mailed June 14, 2007, the period for response to which extends through September 14, 2007, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment section of this paper.